

Summer Undergraduate Research Experience

SURE Eligibility Requirements:

- U.S. citizenship required.
- Sophomore, junior, or senior undergraduate students preferred. Outstanding freshman applicants will be considered.
- Minority and female students are encouraged to apply.

Application Guidelines: (Applications will be available October 1, 2007 for the SURE program which begins the following June.)

- Please check your application to make sure you have completed ALL sections, and keep a copy of the
 application and supporting documents for your files. You are responsible for checking with ORISE to
 determine whether your application file is complete.
- All parts of the application must be received at Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) on or before midnight EST February 4, 2008. Late or incomplete applications will NOT be reviewed for an award.
- Transcripts: You must provide an official transcript for each college/university or technical school attended. Transcripts must be received at ORISE on or before February 11, 2008.
- References: References are required from your university advisor and two college/university professors. References may be: (1) a printed copy sent directly to ORISE; (2) an e-mail attachment from an institutional e-mail address sent to gcep@orau.gov; or (3) a sealed envelope with appropriate identification on the sealed side of the envelope. References must be received at ORISE on or before February 11, 2008.
- Academic Plans and Career Goals and Objectives Statement: Summarize your academic plans and career goals and objectives, showing how they relate to the DOE Global Change Research Program. Please be specific because this statement constitutes a substantial fraction of your evaluation score. Successful statements should address the following: (1) Why are you interested in Global Change Research? (2) How will the SURE internship help you attain your career goals? (3) What areas of Global Change Research most interest you? (4) Which mentors on the Mentor List best fit your interests? (5) Are you considering graduate education in Global Change after you finish your undergraduate education?

If you have questions about the application process, you may contact Dr. Jeffrey Gaffney, Chief Scientist, University of Arkansas at Little Rock at isgaffney@ualr.edu or (501) 569-8840; Dr. Nancy Marley, Assistant Chief Scientist, University of Arkansas at Little Rock at namarley@ualr.edu or (501) 569-8844; or Dr. Milton Constantin, Program Manager, Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education at milton.constantin@orau.org or (865) 576-7009.

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